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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi Speaker of the House U. S. House of Representatives H-232, U. S. Capitol Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Madam Speaker,

The African-American Farmers of California wish to express our strong support for Congressman Jim Costa as the Chair of the House Agriculture Committee for the 117th Congress.

Congressman Costa represents the 16th Congressional District of California. His district encompasses Fresno, Madera, and Merced Counties. These counties produce over \$12 billion in farm product value. Many of our members live and farm in the San Joaquin Valley, as well as throughout California. Congressman Costa has worked closely with small farmers and helped us with funding through the USDA-NRCS small farm programs.

Congressman Costa's knowledge and experience of the agricultural industry, which includes water supply, trade, immigration, labor, air and water quality is extremely valuable for the position of Chair of the House Agriculture Committee.

We support Congressman Jim Costa for the Chair of the House Agriculture Committee for the $117^{\rm th}$ Congress.

Sincerely

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